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**Alexa. Gazette & Virginia Advertiser.**  
(FOR THE COUNTRY)  
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At five dollars per annum.  
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Marriage and Death Notices fifty cents. Obituaries will be charged at advertisement rates for notices over four lines.

## CASH PLAN ADOPTED.

The postage law, which goes into operation 1st of January, 1875, requires prepayment on all newspapers sent through the mails beyond the limits of the counties in which they are published. We have, therefore, determined to adopt the CASH PLAN for all subscriptions. While avoiding the losses, tardy payments and expenses of collection incident to the credit system, we will be required to prepay the postage. The change determined upon will, therefore, prove beneficial to both subscribers and publisher. The former will be relieved of the postage tax whilst the latter will be enabled to simplify the operations of his business and to improve the facilities for conducting it.

No name will be entered unless the subscription is paid for in advance.

During the past few months every subscriber in arrears has been furnished, through the mails, with a statement of his account. Many have responded with remittances discharging their liabilities and paying in advance for the current year. We appeal urgently to those who have not made a similar response to do so without further delay, as after the first of January, 1875, we will commence to discontinue the paper to those who have not paid in advance. The time within which all in arrears can close up the balance due and make an advance payment is ample, and we flatter ourselves that but few names will be dropped.

ALEXANDRIA, November 9.

## EDUCATED OYSTERS.

Before the railroad falls our oyster growers used early in the day to canvass the villages on the Hudson river for oyster orders, to be filled just before the river should be closed with ice. The meaning of this is that these men committed themselves to supply oysters in the shell, with the guarantee that the bivalves thus supplied should not die before their time came. The oysters were actually kept alive during the greater part of the long winter. The fat bivalves were handled with some care, and were spread on the cellar, the round or lower side down, so as not to allow the liquor to escape. That such a lot required a great change of capacity or habit in the bivalve is evident, and it needed a training, yes, an education, ere the oyster attained to such ability. And this was the way it was done: Beginning early in the fall, the cultivator of the oyster took up the fat bivalves from their bed where he had planted them, and laid them a little higher up on the shore, so that for a short time each day they were exposed out of the water. After a few days of this exposure by the retreating tide, they were moved a little higher still on the shore line, which gave them a little longer exposure to the air at each low tide. And this process was continued, each remove resulting in a little longer exposure. And with what results? Two very curious ones—inurement to exposure and the inoculation of a provident habit of making preparation for the same. What! providence in an oyster? Yes, when he's educated. When accustomed to this treatment, ere the tide retires the oyster takes a good full drink, and retains the same until the tide returns. Once, while waiting for the stage at a country hostelry, we overheard the following between two rustic paragonists at the bar: "Come, Swill, let's take a drink." "Well, I don't know. Ain't dry, myself. Hows'ever, guess I will take a drink for fear I might get dry."

With better philosophy on their side, these educated oysters, twice in every twenty-four hours took their precautionary drink. The French method of oyster training is much more laborious. The adult bivalves are carefully spread out in the water, and periodical lessons are given to each one individually. Each oyster on this occasion receives a tap, not with a ferule, but with a small iron instrument. This causes the bivalves to close tightly. Finally the last day comes with its last premonitory tap. Its education thus finished, it takes passage with its fellow graduates for Paris. As a result of its education, it knows how to keep its mouth shut when it enters society.—*Popular Science Monthly.*

**A DISGUISED BURGLAR.**—The city of Chicago has a burglar who professes to be shocked by the meanness and false pretenses of the inhabitants. The whole town, according to a statement before us, has been put in a state of consternation by a mysterious plunderer supposed to be "Jack of Pittsburg," who enters houses while the inmates are at supper, rifles the jewelry boxes and greenback boxes and silver baskets, and when met by any of those whom he has plundered, bows himself out, saying that he has mistaken the house. No one had any idea of the greenbacks hoarded away, the costly jewels that fond husbands and fathers and friends had bestowed as souvenirs of their affection, the watches, brooches, rings, and necklaces blazing with diamonds and pearls, and built up with solid gold, that were just lying around loose in those Chicago houses and that are now mourned by their disconsolate owners. It seems, however, that "Jack" considers himself as much an injured man as his victims, for he writes to the Tribune to say that in most of the houses he entered he found chiefly dollar-store jewelry, pinbeek watches, oriole and the like; that the whole amount of his plunder will not suffice to buy him a first-class ticket to Pittsburg, and that the people who are bewailing the loss of their valuables never owned anything more valuable than a Cape May diamond, unless it was a Cairngorm pebble. "Well, the heart of a conscientious burglar" be applied at such iniquity.

**BE CAREFUL HOW YOU EAT OYSTERS.**—A well known physician of this city has for the past two weeks been suffering from a strange bronchial affection, and his sufferings finally became so great that many of his professional friends feared a fatal result. He has for over a week been troubled with a painful cough, and his throat became so inflamed and swollen that he could only breathe with the greatest difficulty. Several of his professional friends examined the throat, but were unable to determine the nature of the disease. Yesterday morning however, whilst suffering intense pain, he was seized with a fit of coughing, and finally coughed up a thin piece of oyster-shell, about as long as a water and an eighth of an inch in length, which, it seems, was the cause of all the trouble, as the pain left simultaneously with the expulsion of the piece of shell.—*Baltimore American, 9th.*

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**  
**SIMMONS'**  
**TAKE**  
**LIVER**  
**REGULATOR**

## THE FAVORITE HOME REMEDY.

Is warranted not to contain a single particle of Mercury, or any injurious mineral substance, but is

## PURELY VEGETABLE.

containing the Southern Roots and Herbs, which, an all-wise Providence has placed in countries where Liver Diseases most prevail. It will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of the Liver and Bowels.

## Simmons' Liver Regulator,

OR MEDICINE, and by being kept ready for immediate resort will save many an hour of suffering and many a dollar in time and doctors' bills.

After over Forty Years' trial it is still receiving the most unqualified testimonials to its virtues from persons of the highest character and responsibility. Eminent physicians commend it as the most

## EFFECTUAL SPECIFIC

for Constipation, Headache, Pain in the Shoulders, Dizziness, Sour Stomach, bad taste in the mouth, bilious attacks, Palpitation of the Heart, Pain in the region of the Kidneys, despondency, gloom and forbidding of evil, all of which are the offspring of a diseased Liver.

## FOR DYSPEPSIA OR INDIGESTION.

Armed with this ANTIDOTE, all climates and changes of water and food may be faced without fear. As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, RESTLESSNESS, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA,

## IT HAS NO EQUAL.

It is the Cheapest, Purest and Best Family Medicine in the World.

## CAUTION!

Buy no powders or PREPARED SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR unless in our engraved wrapper with Trade mark, Stamp and Signature unbroken. None other is genuine.

## J. H. ZEILIN & CO.,

Macon, Ga., and Philadelphia.

## TAKE

## Simmons' Liver Regulator

For all diseases of the Liver, Stomach and Spleen.

As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, DYSPEPSIA, MENTAL DEPRESSION, RESTLESSNESS, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, SICK HEADACHE, COLIC, CONSTIPATION AND BILIOUSNESS.

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FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS—WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BY

## E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.,

No. 5 and 7 South Fairfax Street.

## W. FRANKLIN CRIGHTON,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES, PAINTS, OILS, DYE STUFFS, GARDEN SEED, &c., &c., &c.

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded. Orders will receive prompt attention.

Jan 24-17

H. H. COOK. HENRY COOK.

HENRY COOK & CO.,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

PURE DRUGS AND CHEMICALS, PAINTS, VARNISHES AND OILS,

WINDOW GLASS AND PUTTY.

No. 107 King Street.

Prompt attention given to orders and inquiries from the country.

Jan 30

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DEALERS IN

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CHEMICALS, PAINTS, OILS,

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Aug 2-17 Alexandria, Va.

SAMUEL H. JANNEY. MARION H. JANNEY.

JANNEY & CO.

DEALERS IN

PURE DRUGS, LEADERS' WHITE LEAD,

Paints, Oils and Varnishes,

FRENCH WINDOW GLASS & PUTTY.

No. 145 King Street.

Orders and Inquiries from the country

promptly attended to.

sep 23-17

HATS, CAPS AND FURS.

JOHN T. EVANS

Respectfully informs his old customers and the public generally that he has just returned from New York with a large and select assortment of

HATS, CAPS AND FURS,

all of the latest styles, and quality from the medium to the finest. He has the largest and best assortment of LADIES' and MISSES' FURS

ever offered in this market, which he is prepared to sell at most reduced prices. He has also made arrangements with the most fashionable and best silk hat manufacturers in New York to be supplied with the latest styles.

For Ladies' Furs repaired and White Furs cleaned.

oct 14-17

FOR COUGHS, COLDS, &c., &c.—Bull's Cough Syrup, Hunsell's Cough Remedy, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, Tyler's Compound Syrup of Gum Arabic, Wislizen's Pine Tree Tar Cordial, Magie's Compound Syrup of Eucalypti, Powers' Compound Syrup of Tolu and Wild Cherry, Hale's Honey of Marshmallow and Tar and Fife's Cure, &c.

oct 29

WARFIELD & HALL'S,

Corner Prince and Fairfax streets.

CAPE COD CRANBERRIES, Layer, Va. leucia and Seedless Raisins, prime Citron and Lemon Peel, &c., &c., for sale by

dec 14 J. C. MILBURN.

## TESTIMONIALS.

"I have never seen or tried such a simple, efficacious, satisfactory and pleasant remedy in my life."—H. Hainor, St. Louis, Mo.

Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

"I occasionally use, when my condition requires it, Dr. Simmons' Liver Regulator, with good effect."—Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

Governor of Alabama.

"Your Regulator has been in use in my family for some time, and I am persuaded it is a valuable addition to the medical science."—Gov. J. Gill Shorter, Ala.

"I have used the Regulator in my family for the past seventeen years. I can safely recommend it to the world as the best medicine I have ever used for that class of diseases it purports to cure."—H. F. Thigpen.

President of City Bank.

"Simmons' Liver Regulator has proved a good and efficacious medicine."—C. A. Nutting.

Druggist.

"We have been acquainted with Dr. Simmons' Liver Medicine for more than twenty years, and know it to be the best Liver Regulator offered to the public."—M. R. Lyon and H. L. Lyon, Bellefontaine, Ga.

"I was cured by Simmons' Liver Regulator, after having suffered several years with Chills and Fever."—R. F. Anderson.

The Clergy.

"Have been a dyspeptic for years; began the Regulator two years ago; it has acted like a charm in my case."—Rev. J. C. Holmes.

Ladies' Endorsement.

"I have given your medicines thorough trial, and in no case has it failed to give full satisfaction."—Ellen Mencham, Chattahoochee, Fla.

Sheriff Bibb County.

"I have used your Regulator with successful effect in Bilious Colic and Dyspepsia. It is an excellent remedy, and certainly a public blessing."—C. Masterson, Bibb County, Ga.

My Wife.

"My wife and self have used the Regulator for years, and testify to its great virtues."—Rev. J. R. Felder, Perry, Ga.

"I think Simmons' Liver Regulator one of the best medicines ever made for the Liver. My wife, and many others, have used it with wonderful effect."—E. K. Sparks, Albany, Ga.

M. D.

"I have used the Regulator in my family, and also in my regular practice, and have found it a most valuable and satisfactory medicine, and believe it to be used by the profession it would be service in very many cases. I know very much of its component parts, and can certify its medicinal qualities are perfectly harmless."—B. F. Whigles, M. D., Macon, Ga.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

G. Edwin Entwistle, of this city, having, by deed, dated the 18th day of October, 1874, conveyed to the undersigned all and large assortment of COTTONS, CALICOES, Canton Flannels, Shirts, Bed Quilts, Blankets, Table Cloth Goods, &c., &c., &c.

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At the lowest prices.—We have

constantly on hand a large assortment of

COTTONS, CALICOES, Canton Flannels, Shirts, Bed Quilts, Blankets, Table Cloth Goods, &c., &c., &c.

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MORE GOODS FOR THE SAME MONEY

THAN CAN BE PURCHASED

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VARIETY INDESCRIBABLE—GOODS AT

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GOODS AT 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 AKE, IN

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FIFTY TIMES THE AMOUNT

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We would advise all to make their selections

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## C.W.GREEN'S

No. 76 King Street,

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## HOLIDAY GOODS

FROM

NEW YORK AUCTIONS.

Just received a large and handsome stock of

goods suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,

bought at auction at very low prices. I name in part—

Rich decorated FRENCH CHINA DINNER

and TEA SETS.

Rich decorated VASES, MUGS, CUPS AND

SAUCERS.

Rich decorated MANTLE SETS.

PRISMATINE GLASS VASES, COLOGNE

SETS, &c.

RICH FRENCH TOILET SETS.